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MEMORANDUM FOR: Coordinator for Academic Relations and
Analytic Support/NFAC

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Letter [redacted]
[redacted] Proposal

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1. Andy Marshall recently gave me a copy of a letter a man named [redacted] wrote just before his death last summer. I'd appreciate 25X1 your looking at it. Paragraph 1(e) and paragraph 5 both present the possibility of contracting out to academics to do some work for us. Although the Congress is reducing my funds for external funding, I still think we'll get something to get started on a few of these.

2. When I was at Ohio State recently I met a man named [redacted] 25X1 at the Mershon Center. He indicated he had just submitted a proposal to the Ford Foundation for a study somewhat related to how different nations perceive military balance. I threw out to him "if you don't get that funding, why don't you try us?" [redacted] could tell you who he was. The 25X1 man was not opposed to CIA funding entirely but rather skittish, as one would expect.

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cc: STANSFIELD TURNER

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